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HORIZONTAL CASTING AND CUTTING  
OF METAL BILLETS

**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.312**

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Please amend the above-identified application, which has been allowed and in which the issue and publication fees are being paid concurrently herewith, as follows:

**Amendments to the drawings** are set forth on page 2 of this paper (and in the attached eight replacement sheets).

**Remarks** begin on page 3 of this paper.